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The reply brief filed April 9, 2007 has been entered and considered.

The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated August 29, 2008 has been considered.

The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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